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Acting EPA Regional Administrator Sam Coleman, in concert with Chairman Shaw of TCEQ, briefed the Mayor of Houston and other local officials this morning at the Houston Emergency Center. Afterwards, a cadre of press officials joined to tour three Superfund sites targeted for Phase 2 inspections. The 3 sites scheduled for inspection observation were US Oil Recovery, Highland Acid Pits, and San Jacinto River Waste Pits. In the afternoon, a Congressional delegation led by Senator John Cornyn's office was to be briefed by EPA and TCEQ. Information included a recap of resources dedicated to the Hurricane Response, a summary of NPL site inspections in all the impacted counties, information on drinking water and wastewater systems, accomplishments and projections of work. Information on the recent Arkema facility activities was provided as well.

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